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To: Subst. Senate Bill No. 938

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"AN ACT CONCERNING A STUDY OF LIMITING THE PURCHASE OF HANDGUNS TO ONE PER MONTH."

1 After the last section, add the following and renumber sections and
2 internal references accordingly:

3 "Sec. 501. Section 26-86a of the general statutes is repealed and the
4 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2007*):

5 (a) The commissioner shall establish by regulation adopted in
6 accordance with the provisions of chapter 54 standards for deer
7 management, and methods, regulated areas, bag limits, seasons and
8 permit eligibility for hunting deer with bow and arrow, muzzleloader
9 and shotgun, except that no such hunting shall be permitted on
10 Sunday. No person shall hunt, pursue, wound or kill deer with a
11 firearm without first obtaining a deer permit from the commissioner in

12 addition to the license required by section 26-27. Application for such
13 permit shall be made on forms furnished by the commissioner and
14 containing such information as he may require. Such permit shall be of
15 a design prescribed by the commissioner, shall contain such
16 information and conditions as the commissioner may require, and may
17 be revoked for violation of any provision of this chapter or regulations
18 adopted pursuant thereto. As used in this section, "muzzleloader"
19 means a rifle or shotgun of at least forty-five caliber, incapable of firing
20 a self-contained cartridge, which uses powder, a projectile, including,
21 but not limited to, a standard round ball, mini-balls, maxi-balls and
22 Sabot bullets, and wadding loaded separately at the muzzle end and
23 "rifle" means a long gun the projectile of which is six millimeters or
24 larger in diameter. The fee for a firearms permit shall be fourteen
25 dollars for residents of the state and fifty dollars for nonresidents,
26 except that any nonresident who is an active full-time member of the
27 armed forces, as defined in section 27-103, may purchase a firearms
28 permit for the same fee as is charged a resident of the state. The
29 commissioner shall issue, without fee, a private land deer permit to the
30 owner of ten or more acres of private land and the husband or wife,
31 parent, grandparent, sibling and any lineal descendant of such owner,
32 provided no such owner, husband or wife, parent, grandparent, sibling
33 or lineal descendant shall be issued more than one such permit per
34 season. Such permit shall allow the use of a rifle, shotgun,
35 muzzleloader or bow and arrow on such land from November first to
36 December thirty-first, inclusive. Deer may be so hunted at such times
37 and in such areas of such state-owned land as are designated by the
38 Commissioner of Environmental Protection and on privately owned
39 land with the signed consent of the landowner, on forms furnished by
40 the department, and such signed consent shall be carried by any
41 person when so hunting on private land. The owner of ten acres or
42 more of private land may allow the use of a rifle to hunt deer on such
43 land during the shotgun season. The commissioner shall determine, by
44 regulation, the number of consent forms issued for any regulated area
45 established by said commissioner. The commissioner shall provide for
46 a fair and equitable random method for the selection of successful

47 applicants who may obtain shotgun and muzzleloader permits for
48 hunting deer on state lands. Any person whose name appears on more
49 than one application for a shotgun permit or more than one
50 application for a muzzleloader permit shall be disqualified from the
51 selection process for such permit. No person shall hunt, pursue,
52 wound or kill deer with a bow and arrow without first obtaining a
53 bow and arrow permit pursuant to section 26-86c. "Bow and arrow" as
54 used in this section and in section 26-86c means a bow with a draw
55 weight of not less than forty pounds. The arrowhead shall have two or
56 more blades and may not be less than seven-eighths of an inch at the
57 widest point. No person shall carry firearms of any kind while hunting
58 with a bow and arrow under said sections.

59 (b) Any person who takes a deer without a permit shall be fined not
60 less than two hundred dollars or more than five hundred dollars or
61 imprisoned not less than thirty days or more than six months or shall
62 be both fined and imprisoned, for the first offense, and for each
63 subsequent offense shall be fined not less than two hundred dollars or
64 more than one thousand dollars or imprisoned not more than one year
65 or shall be both fined and imprisoned.

66 (c) A permanently disabled person who provides the commissioner
67 with written proof signed by a medical doctor confirming such
68 permanent disability and who has obtained a firearm hunting license
69 pursuant to section 26-27 to hunt deer on private land or state-owned
70 land may hunt deer on such land, subject to the provisions of this
71 section, with a pistol or revolver, as defined in section 29-27.

72 Sec. 502. Section 26-35 of the general statutes is repealed and the
73 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2007*):

74 Each firearms hunting, archery hunting, trapping or sport fishing
75 license or the combination firearms hunting and fishing license, except
76 licenses issued pursuant to subdivisions (7) and (10) of subsection (a)
77 of section 26-28, shall expire December thirty-first next following the
78 date of issue and shall not be transferable. No person shall change or

79 alter such a license or loan to another or permit another to have or use
80 such license issued to himself or use any license issued to another. All
81 licenses shall be carried as designated by the commissioner at all times
82 when such licensee is hunting, trapping or sport fishing and shall be
83 produced for examination upon demand of any conservation officer or
84 other employee of the department designated by the commissioner or
85 any other officer authorized to make arrests or the owner or lessee or
86 the agent of any owner or lessee of any land or water upon which such
87 licensed person may be found. Whenever the commissioner has
88 designated any land or water area a wildlife management study area,
89 he may require such licensee to surrender his license upon entering
90 such area and issue to the licensee an arm band, back tag or other
91 identification. The license shall be returned to the licensee upon
92 leaving such area. Each person receiving a license to hunt or to trap
93 shall make an annual report to the commissioner in such form and at
94 such time as may be required by him showing the numbers and kinds
95 of birds and quadrupeds killed or trapped. [A] Except as provided in
96 section 26-86a, as amended by this act, a firearms hunting or a
97 combination firearms hunting and fishing license shall not authorize
98 the carrying or possession of a pistol or revolver."